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William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF REPORT BACK ON THE LANCASTER CEMETERY **DISTRICT (ITEM NO. 6, AGENDA OF JANUARY 14, 2014)**

On January 14, 2014, a motion directed the Chief Executive Office, County Counsel, and the Auditor-Controller to report back within 30 days on the following:

- The financial viability of the Lancaster Cemetery District;
- The legal obligations of the County with respect to the District; and
- The recommended alternatives to maintain the operations of the Lancaster Cemetery for the common good of the region.

On February 11, 2014, we requested an extension to March 17, 2014 to complete the review of issues raised by the Lancaster Cemetery District (LCD). Staff from the Fifth District, Auditor-Controller, Chief Executive Office (CEO), and the LCD met on March 3, 2014 and further analysis was needed before a resolution could be recommended including:

1) Auditor-Controller review of the District's 2013 unaudited financial statements and their revenue forecast;

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- 2) Public Works review of the LCD's priority list and cost of deferred maintenance needs; and
- 3) CEO assessment of alternative financing options.

Therefore, on March 17, 2014, the CEO requested an extension to May 19, 2014. On May 7, 2014, staff from the Fifth District, Auditor-Controller, CEO, County Counsel, and Public Works met to discuss the above information and findings. A report back to the Board is currently being prepared and will require review by the departments that have participated in the analysis. The report to the Board should be completed by June 30, 2014.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know, or your staff may contact Rita Robinson at (213) 893-2477, or via email at rrobinson@ceo.lacounty.gov.

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